

Nebraska Comprehensive Cancer Control Program

Action Planning for Health Literacy Request for Proposals

Section One: Background

What is health literacy?

Health literacy is a complex topic with multiple levels. At an individual level, anyone who needs health information and services also needs health literacy skills to understand that information and decide which services are most appropriate. They must also use health literacy skills to communicate those preferences to providers. Providers must possess health literacy skills to help individuals understand and make health decisions, as well as process the questions people are explicitly and implicitly asking. They must understand how to provide useful information and services to individuals. Lastly, organizations utilize health literacy skills when they remove barriers to sharing health information and accessing services; and when they help providers and individuals find, process and understand health information. To be successful in this application it is strongly suggested that applications read the linked article from the Institute of Medicine "[Ten Attributes of Health Literate Health Care Organizations.](#)"

What does health literacy look like in Nebraska?

According to the 2014 Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (a randomized statewide telephone survey) health literacy is a wide spread issue for Nebraska:

- 34.3% of Nebraskans reported lacking confidence in their own ability to fill out health forms
- 26.6% of Nebraskans reported they had difficulty understanding written health information.
- 50.2% of Nebraskans reported they regularly get help reading health information

African Americans, Hispanics, American Indians, and Asians/Pacific Islanders were all more likely to report difficulty on all three indicators. Those with less than a high school education are more likely to report difficulty, as were those who make less than \$25,000 a year. Those who live in rural areas were more likely to report difficulty on all indicators as well. It is also important to note for all categories, that the groups least likely to report difficulty on any indicator still had numbers that hovered near 50% for "got help reading written health information."

Section Two: Purpose of Award

The purpose of this award is to support two (2) organizations in writing and beginning implementation of organizational self-assessments, including applying the [Nebraska Association of Local Health Directors Champion Process](#) and writing health literacy action plans. Again to be successful in this application it is strongly suggested that applicants read the summary of this evidence based process found at the above hyperlink. These efforts will be supported by a \$6,000 award from the Nebraska Comprehensive Cancer Control Program and awardees will receive technical assistance from the Nebraska Association of Local Health Directors. Including participation in training events by staff at various levels of administration. **Applications are due November 30th, 2016.** Awarded activities will run from **January 4, 2017 to June 16, 2017.** Selected organizations will be required to submit two progress reports and invoices. One is tentatively due March 31st, 2017 and the other June 1, 2017. Each progress report will include a program update and invoice for expenditures. The organizations will also take part in evaluation activities led by the Comprehensive Cancer Control Program.

Questions regarding the application may be submitted in writing only to:

Elizabeth Green, Program Manager Comprehensive Cancer Control Program

Elizabeth.Green@Nebraska.gov

Answers will be posted publicly on the [Comprehensive Cancer Control Homepage](#). All written questions must be received by November 28th, 2016.

Section Three: Eligible Organizations

Eligible organizations include:

1. Nebraska cancer centers, clinics and hospitals
2. Federally Qualified Health Centers and look-a-likes
3. Local health departments
4. 501 c 3 not for profit organizations

Section Four: Required Application Documents

To be considered for this award each application must contain the following elements:

1. A signed letter of support from the highest executive officer at the physical location applying for the award. The letter must show support for an on-going health literacy process.
2. A completed narrative and work plan template.
3. A completed budget template.
4. A signed terms page.

Section Five: Narrative and Work Plan Template

Narrative

Please answer the following questions in a narrative format:

1. Please explain how health literacy fits into the mission and vision of your organization.
2. Please provide a brief synopsis the demonstrated experience in grants management and successful program leadership.
3. Please provide a synopsis of how the whole organization will be engaged to support this project.
4. Please provide a summary of the organization's experience and training in health literacy, or the need for health literacy training.

Objective (please write one S.M.A.R.T.) objective for your application in the space below. All your activities should work towards achieving this one objective:

Work Plan Template

Activity	Responsible Staff Person	Description	Anticipated Completion date

Section Six: Budget Template

Please fill out the budget template below in detail. Costs should be broken down as much as possible.

Expense	Justification	Amount
Total		\$6,000.00

Section Seven: Allowable Costs

It is allowable to spend the award on staff time used to conduct the organizational assessment, materials used for the assessment, printing, supplies, and software and technology fees.

Unallowable costs include food and drinks, promotional items, permanent construction, lobbying, and travel that does not directly benefit the program. This list is not all inclusive and will be judged on a case by case basis.

Section Eight: Terms

GENERAL TERMS AND ASSURANCES

A. ACCESS TO RECORDS AND AUDIT RESPONSIBILITIES.

1. All Subrecipient books, records, and documents regardless of physical form, including data maintained in computer files or on magnetic, optical or other media, relating to work performed or monies received under this subaward shall be subject to audit at any reasonable time upon the provision of reasonable notice by DHHS. Subrecipient shall maintain all records for three (3) years from the date of final payment, except records that fall under the provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) shall be maintained for six (6) full years from the date of final payment. In addition to the foregoing retention periods, all records shall be maintained until all issues related to an audit, litigation or other action are resolved to the satisfaction of DHHS. The Subrecipient shall maintain its accounting records in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. DHHS reserves and hereby exercises the right to require the Subrecipient to submit required financial reports on the accrual basis of accounting. If the Subrecipient's records are not normally kept on the accrual basis, the Subrecipient is not required to convert its accounting system but shall develop and submit in a timely manner such accrual information through an analysis of the documentation on hand (such as accounts payable).
2. The Subrecipient shall provide DHHS any and all written communications received by the Subrecipient from an auditor related to Subrecipient's internal control over financial reporting requirements and communication with those charged with governance including

those in compliance with or related to Statement of Auditing Standards (SAS) 122. The Subrecipient agrees to provide DHHS with a copy of all such written communications immediately upon receipt or instruct any auditor it employs to deliver copies of such written communications to DHHS at the same time copies are delivered to the Subrecipient, in which case the Subrecipient agrees to verify that DHHS has received a copy.

3. The Subrecipient shall immediately commence follow-up action on findings arising from audits or other forms of review. Follow-up action includes responding to those conducting such examinations with clear, complete views concerning the accuracy and appropriateness of the findings. If the finding is accepted, corrective action, such as repaying disallowed costs, making financial adjustments, or taking other actions should proceed and be completed as rapidly as possible. If the Subrecipient disagrees, it should provide an explanation and specific reasons that demonstrate that the finding is not valid.
 4. In addition to, and in no way in limitation of any obligation in this subaward, the Subrecipient shall be liable for audit exceptions, and shall return to DHHS all payments made under this subaward for which an exception has been taken or which has been disallowed because of such an exception, upon demand from DHHS.
- B. ANTI-DISCRIMINATION. The Subrecipient shall comply with all applicable local, state and federal statutes and regulations regarding civil rights and equal opportunity employment, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000d et seq.; the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. §§ 794 et seq.; the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 et seq.; and the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act, Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 48-1101 to 48-1125. Violation of said statutes and regulations will constitute a material breach of this subaward. The Subrecipient shall insert a similar provision into all subawards and subcontracts.
- C. ASSIGNMENT. The Subrecipient shall not assign or transfer any interest, rights, or duties under this subaward to any person, firm, or corporation without prior written consent of DHHS. In the absence of such written consent, any assignment or attempt to assign shall constitute a breach of this subaward.
- D. ASSURANCE. If DHHS, in good faith, has reason to believe that the Subrecipient does not intend to, is unable to, has refused to, or discontinues performing material obligations under this subaward, DHHS may demand in writing that the Subrecipient give a written assurance of intent to perform. Failure by the Subrecipient to provide written assurance within the number of days specified in the demand may, at DHHS's option, be the basis for terminating this subaward.
- E. BREACH OF SUBAWARD. DHHS may immediately terminate this subaward and agreement, in whole or in part, if the Subrecipient fails to perform its obligations under the subaward in a timely and proper manner. DHHS may withhold payments and provide a written notice of default to the Subrecipient, allow the Subrecipient to correct a failure or breach of subaward within a period of thirty (30) days or longer at DHHS's discretion considering the gravity and nature of the default. Said notice shall be delivered by Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested or in person with proof of delivery. Allowing the Subrecipient time to correct a failure or breach of this subaward does not waive DHHS's right to immediately terminate the subaward for the same or different subaward breach which may occur at a different time. DHHS may, at its discretion, obtain any services required to complete this subaward and hold the Subrecipient liable for any excess cost caused by Subrecipient's default. This provision

shall not preclude the pursuit of other remedies for breach of subaward as allowed by law.

- F. CLEAN AIR ACT. If the value of this subaward exceeds \$150,000, Subrecipient shall comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. §§ 7401 et seq.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. §§ 1251 et seq.).
- G. CONFIDENTIALITY. Any and all confidential or proprietary information gathered in the performance of this subaward, either independently or through DHHS, shall be held in the strictest confidence and shall be released to no one other than DHHS without the prior written authorization of DHHS, provided that contrary subaward provisions set forth herein shall be deemed to be authorized exceptions to this general confidentiality provision. As required by United States Department of Health and Human Services (hereinafter "HHS") appropriations acts, all HHS recipients and DHHS Subrecipients must acknowledge Federal and DHHS funding when issuing statements, press releases, requests for proposals, bid invitations, and other documents describing projects or programs funded in whole or in part with Federal and DHHS funds. Recipients are required to state: (1) the percentage and dollar amounts of the total program or project costs financed with Federal and DHHS funds; and (2) the percentage and dollar amount of the total costs financed by nongovernmental sources. This provision shall survive termination of this subaward.
- H. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST. In the performance of this subaward, the Subrecipient shall avoid all conflicts of interest and all appearances of conflicts of interest. The subrecipient shall not acquire an interest either directly or indirectly which will conflict in any manner or degree with performance and shall immediately notify DHHS in writing of any such instances encountered.
- I. COST PRINCIPLES AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS. The Subrecipient shall follow 2 CFR 200 and all the applicable cost principles contained therein. Subpart F, Federal audit requirements, are dependent on the total amount of federal funds expended by the Subrecipient., set in the table below and Attachment 1, Audit Requirement Certification. Audits must be prepared and issued by an independent certified public accountant licensed to practice. A copy of the annual audit is to be made electronically available or sent to: Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, Financial Services, P.O. Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026.

Amount of annual federal expenditure	Audit Type
<i>\$100,000 to \$749,999</i>	<i>Financial Statement Audit</i>
<i>\$750,000 or more in federal expenditure</i>	<i>Single Audit</i>

- J. DATA OWNERSHIP AND COPYRIGHT. Except as otherwise provided in the Federal Notice of Award, DHHS shall own the rights in data resulting from this project or program. The Subrecipient may copyright any of the copyrightable material and may patent any of the patentable products produced in conjunction with the performance required under this subaward without written consent from DHHS. DHHS and any federal granting authority hereby reserve a royalty-free, nonexclusive, and irrevocable right to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use, and to authorize others to use the copyrightable material for federal or state government purposes. This provision shall survive termination of this subaward.

- K. DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION OR DECLARED INELIGIBLE. The Subrecipient certifies that neither it nor its principals are debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency. The subrecipient certifies that it is registered with the System of Award Management (SAM) (<https://www.sam.gov>), in good standing, and that the entity will maintain annual certification in accordance with Federal Acquisition Regulations. Failure to comply with this section, including maintaining an active registration and/or good standing with SAM, may result in withholding of payments or immediate termination of the subaward.
- L. DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE. All references in this subaward to laws, rules, regulations, guidelines, directives, and attachments which set forth standards and procedures to be followed by the Subrecipient in discharging its obligations under this subaward shall be deemed incorporated by reference and made a part of this subaward with the same force and effect as if set forth in full text, herein.
- M. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE. Subrecipient agrees, in accordance with 41 USC §701 et al., to maintain a drug-free workplace by: (1) publishing a drug-free workplace statement; (2) establishing a drug-free awareness program; (3) taking actions concerning employees who are convicted of violating drug statutes in the workplace; and (4) in accordance with 2 CFR §182.230, identify all workplaces under its federal awards.
- N. FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. The Subrecipient shall comply with all applicable provisions of 45 C.F.R. §§ 87.1-87.2. The Subrecipient certifies that it shall not use direct federal financial assistance to engage in inherently religious activities, such as worship, religious instruction, and/or proselytization.
- O. FEDERAL FUNDING ACCOUNTABILITY AND TRANSPARENCY ACT REPORTING. The Subrecipient shall complete and endorse the Subrecipient Information & Audit Requirement Certification, Attachment 1. The Subrecipient certifies the information provided is complete, true, and accurate.
- P. FORCE MAJEURE. Neither party shall be liable for any costs or damages resulting from its inability to perform any of its obligations under this subaward due to a natural disaster, or other similar event outside the control and not the fault of the affected party ("Force Majeure Event"). A Force Majeure Event shall not constitute a breach of this subaward. The party so affected shall immediately give notice to the other party of the Force Majeure Event. Upon such notice, all obligations of the affected party under this subaward which are reasonably related to the Force Majeure Event shall be suspended, and the affected party shall do everything reasonably necessary to resume performance as soon as possible. Labor disputes with the impacted party's own employees will not be considered a Force Majeure Event and will not suspend performance requirements under this subaward.
- Q. FRAUD OR MALFEASANCE. DHHS may immediately terminate this subaward for fraud, misappropriation, embezzlement, malfeasance, misfeasance, or illegal conduct pertaining to performance under the subaward by Subrecipient, its employees, officers, directors, volunteers, shareholders, or subcontractors.
- R. FUNDING AVAILABILITY. DHHS may terminate the subaward, in whole or in part, in the event funding is no longer available. Should funds not be appropriated, DHHS may terminate the award with respect to those payments for the fiscal years for which such funds are not appropriated. DHHS shall give the Subrecipient written notice thirty (30) days prior to the

effective date of any termination. The Subrecipient shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any authorized work which has been satisfactorily completed as of the termination date. In no event, shall the Subrecipient be paid for a loss of anticipated profit.

S. GRANT CLOSE-OUT. Upon completion or notice of termination of this grant, the following procedures shall apply for close-out of the subaward:

1. The Subrecipient will not incur new obligations after the termination or completion of the subaward, and shall cancel as many outstanding obligations as possible. DHHS shall give full credit to Subrecipient for the federal share of non-cancelable obligations properly incurred by Subrecipient prior to termination, and costs incurred on, or prior to, the termination or completion date.
2. Subrecipient shall immediately return to DHHS any unobligated balance of cash advanced or shall manage such balance in accordance with DHHS instructions.
3. Within a maximum of 90 days following the date of expiration or completion, Subrecipient shall submit all financial, performance, and related reports required by the Subrecipient Reporting Requirements. DHHS reserves the right to extend the due date for any report and may waive, in writing, any report it considers to be unnecessary.
4. DHHS shall make any necessary adjustments upward or downward in the federal share of costs.
5. The Subrecipient shall assist and cooperate in the orderly transition and transfer of subaward activities and operations with the objective of preventing disruption of services.
6. Close-out of this subaward shall not affect the retention period for, or state or federal rights of access to, Subrecipient records, or Subrecipient's responsibilities regarding property or with respect to any program income for which Subrecipient is still accountable under this subaward. If no final audit is conducted prior to close-out, DHHS reserves the right to disallow and recover an appropriate amount after fully considering any recommended disallowances resulting from an audit which may be conducted at a later time.

T. GOVERNING LAW. The award shall be governed in all respects by the laws and statutes of the United States and the State of Nebraska. Any legal proceedings against DHHS or the State of Nebraska regarding this award shall be brought in Nebraska administrative or judicial forums as defined by Nebraska State law. The Subrecipient shall comply with all Nebraska statutory and regulatory law.

U. HOLD HARMLESS.

1. The Subrecipient shall defend, indemnify, hold, and save harmless the State of Nebraska and its employees, volunteers, agents, and its elected and appointed officials ("the indemnified parties") from and against any and all claims, liens, demands, damages, liability, actions, causes of action, losses, judgments, costs, and expenses of every nature, including investigation costs and expenses, settlement costs, and attorney fees and expenses ("the claims"), sustained or asserted against the State of Nebraska, arising out of, resulting from, or attributable to the willful misconduct, negligence, error, or omission of the Subrecipient, its employees, consultants, representatives, and agents, except to the extent such Subrecipient's liability is attenuated by any action of the State of Nebraska

which directly and proximately contributed to the claims.

2. DHHS's liability is limited to the extent provided by the Nebraska Tort Claims Act, the Nebraska Contract Claims Act, the Nebraska Miscellaneous Claims Act, and any other applicable provisions of law. DHHS does not assume liability for the action of its Subrecipients.
- V. HUMAN TRAFFICKING PROVISIONS. The subrecipient shall comply and be subject to the requirements of Section 106(g) of the "Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000" (22 USC 7104). The full text of this requirement is found at: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/award-term-and-condition-for-trafficking-in-persons>
- W. INDEPENDENT ENTITY. The Subrecipient is an Independent Entity and neither it nor any of its employees shall, for any purpose, be deemed employees of DHHS. The Subrecipient shall employ and direct such personnel, as it requires, to perform its obligations under this subaward, exercise full authority over its personnel, and comply with all workers' compensation, employer's liability and other federal, state, county, and municipal laws, ordinances, rules and regulations required of an employer providing services as contemplated by this subaward.
- X. REIMBURSEMENT REQUEST. Requests for payments submitted by the Subrecipient shall contain sufficient detail to support payment. Any terms and conditions included in the Subrecipient's request shall be deemed to be solely for the convenience of the parties.
- Y. INTEGRATION. This written subaward represents the entire agreement between the parties, and any prior or contemporaneous representations, promises, or statements by the parties, that are not incorporated herein, shall not serve to vary or contradict the terms set forth in this subaward.
- Z. LOBBYING.
1. Subrecipient certifies that no Federal appropriated funds shall be paid, by or on behalf of the Subrecipient, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this award for: (a) the awarding of any Federal agreement; (b) the making of any Federal grant; (c) the entering into of any cooperative agreement; and (d) the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal agreement, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
 2. If any funds, other than Federal appropriated funds, have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence: an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this subaward, the Subrecipient shall complete and submit Federal Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
- AA. MANDATORY DISCLOSURES. The subrecipient must disclose to the State, in a timely manner and in writing, all violations of Federal criminal law involving fraud, bribery, or gratuity violations potentially affecting this subaward in accordance with 2 CFR §200.113. Failure to make required disclosures can result in any of the remedies described in §200.338 Remedies for noncompliance, including suspension or debarment. (See also 2 CFR part 180 and 31 U.S.C. 3321).

- BB. NEBRASKA NONRESIDENT INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING. Subrecipient acknowledges that Nebraska law requires DHHS to withhold Nebraska income tax if payments for personal services are made in excess of six hundred dollars (\$600) to any Subrecipient who is not domiciled in Nebraska or has not maintained a permanent place of business or residence in Nebraska for a period of at least six months. This provision applies to: individuals; to a corporation, if 80% or more of the voting stock of the corporation is held by the shareholders who are performing personal services, and to a partnership or limited liability company, if 80% or more of the capital interest or profits interest of the partnership or limited liability company is held by the partners or members who are performing personal services.

The parties agree, when applicable, to properly complete the Nebraska Department of Revenue Nebraska Withholding Certificate for Nonresident Individuals Form W-4NA or its successor. The form is available at:

http://www.revenue.ne.gov/tax/current/f_w-4na.pdf or
http://www.revenue.ne.gov/tax/current/ill-in/f_w-4na.pdf

- CC. NEBRASKA TECHNOLOGY ACCESS STANDARDS.

The Subrecipient shall review the Nebraska Technology Access Standards, found at <http://www.nitc.nebraska.gov/standards/2-201.html> and ensure that products and/or services provided under the subaward comply with the applicable standards. In the event such standards change during the Subrecipient's performance, the State may create an amendment to the subaward to request that Subrecipient comply with the changed standard at a cost mutually acceptable to the parties.

- DD. NEW EMPLOYEE WORK ELIGIBILITY STATUS. The Subrecipient shall use a federal immigration verification system to determine the work eligibility status of new employees physically performing services within the State of Nebraska. A federal immigration verification system means the electronic verification of the work authorization program authorized by the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, 8 U.S.C. § 1324a, known as the E-Verify Program, or an equivalent federal program designated by the United States Department of Homeland Security or other federal agency authorized to verify the work eligibility status of a newly hired employee.

If the Subrecipient is an individual or sole proprietorship, the following applies:

1. The Subrecipient must complete the United States Citizenship Attestation Form, available on the Department of Administrative Services website at www.das.state.ne.us.
2. If the Subrecipient indicates on such attestation form that he or she is a qualified alien, the Subrecipient agrees to provide the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services documentation required to verify the Subrecipient's lawful presence in the United States using the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) Program.
3. The Subrecipient understands and agrees that lawful presence in the United States is required and the Subrecipient may be disqualified or the subaward terminated if such lawful presence cannot be verified as required by NEB. REV. STAT. § 4-108.

- EE. PUBLICATIONS. Subrecipient shall acknowledge the project was supported by the Code of Federal Award Number, name of award, federal agency and DHHS in all publications that result from work under this subaward.

- FF. PROGRAMMATIC CHANGES. The Subrecipient shall request in writing to DHHS for approval of programmatic changes. DHHS shall approve or disapprove in whole or in part in writing within thirty (30) days of receipt of such request.
- GG. PROMPT PAYMENT. Payment shall be made in conjunction with the State of Nebraska Prompt Payment Act, NEB. REV. STAT. §§ 81-2401 through 81-2408. Unless otherwise provided herein, payment shall be made by electronic means.

Automated Clearing House (ACH) Enrollment Form Requirements for Payment.

The Subrecipient shall complete and sign the State of Nebraska ACH Enrollment Form and obtain the necessary information and signatures from their financial institution. The completed form must be submitted before payments to the Subrecipient can be made. Download ACH Form: http://www.das.state.ne.us/accounting/nis/address_book_info.htm

- HH. PUBLIC COUNSEL. In the event Subrecipient provides health and human services to individuals on behalf of DHHS under the terms of this award, Subrecipient shall submit to the jurisdiction of the Public Counsel under NEB. REV. STAT. §§ 81-8,240 through 81-8,254 with respect to the provision of services under this subaward. This clause shall not apply to subawards between DHHS and long-term care facilities subject to the jurisdiction of the state long-term care ombudsman pursuant to the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Act.
- II. RESEARCH. The Subrecipient shall not engage in research utilizing the information obtained through the performance of this subaward without the express written consent of DHHS. The term "research" shall mean the investigation, analysis, or review of information, other than aggregate statistical information, which is used for purposes unconnected with this subaward.
- JJ. SEVERABILITY. If any term or condition of this subaward is declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be illegal or in conflict with any law, the validity of the remaining terms and conditions shall not be affected, and the rights and obligations of the parties shall be construed and enforced as if this subaward did not contain the particular provision held to be invalid.
- KK. SMOKE FREE. Public Law 103-227, also known as the Pro-Children Act of 1994 (Act), requires that smoking not be permitted in any portion of any indoor facility owned or leased or contracted for by an entity and used routinely or regularly for the provision of health, day care, early childhood development services, education or library services to children under the age of 18, if the services are funded by Federal programs either directly or through State or local governments, by Federal grant, contract, loan, or loan guarantee. The law also applies to children's services that are provided in indoor facilities that are constructed, operated, or maintained with such federal funds. The law does not apply to children's services provided in private residences; portions of facilities used for inpatient drug or alcohol treatment; service providers whose sole source of applicable Federal funds in Medicare or Medicaid; or facilities where WIC coupons are redeemed. Failure to comply with the provisions of the law may result in the imposition of a civil monetary penalty of up to \$1000 for each violation and/or the imposition of an administrative compliance order on the responsible entity. By signing, the Subrecipient certifies that the Subrecipient will comply with the requirements of the Act and will not allow smoking within any portion of any indoor facility used for the provision of services for children as defined by the Act.
- LL. SUBRECIPIENTS OR SUBCONTRACTORS. The Subrecipient shall not subaward or subcontract any portion of this award without prior written consent of DHHS. The Subrecipient shall ensure that all subcontractors and subrecipients comply with all requirements of this

subaward and applicable federal, state, county and municipal laws, ordinances, rules and regulations.

MM. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE. Time is of the essence in this subaward. The acceptance of late performance with or without objection or reservation by DHHS shall not waive any rights of DHHS nor constitute a waiver of the requirement of timely performance of any obligations on the part of the Subrecipient remaining.

NN. WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTIONS. The Subrecipient shall comply with the provisions of 41 U.S.C. 4712, which states an employee of a contractor, subcontractor, grantee, or subrecipient may not be discharged, demoted or otherwise discriminated against as a reprisal for "whistleblowing." In addition, whistleblower protections cannot be waived by any agreement, policy, form, or condition of employment.

1. The Subrecipient's employees are encouraged to report fraud, waste, and abuse. The Subrecipient shall inform their employees in writing they are subject to federal whistleblower rights and remedies. This notification must be in the predominant native language of the workforce.
2. The Subrecipient shall include this requirement in any agreement made with a subcontractor or subrecipient.

For Applicant:

Name
Title
Date: _____